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Requesting the President to furnish to the House of Representatives certain documents concerning the response of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to allegations of criminal conduct in the White House travel office.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HYDE (for himself, Mr. MICHEL, Mr. GINGRICH, Mr. ARMEY, and Mr. CLINGER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## RESOLUTION

Requesting the President to furnish to the House of Representatives certain documents concerning the response of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to allegations of criminal conduct in the White House travel office.

1       *Resolved*, That the President is requested to provide  
2 to the House of Representatives, not later than fourteen  
3 days after the adoption of this resolution, the following  
4 documents:

5           (1) Any document concerning the identity of  
6 any person who authorized or directed William Ken-  
7 nedy, Associate Counsel to the President, to sum-  
8 mon officials of the Federal Bureau of Investigation

1 to the White House and to prepare that the Bureau  
2 investigate the White House travel office.

3 (2) Any document concerning how William Ken-  
4 nedy, Associate Counsel to the President, knew  
5 whom to contact in the Federal Bureau of Investiga-  
6 tion to arrange a meeting to discuss the White  
7 House travel office.

8 (3) Any document concerning the identity of  
9 any person who authorized or directed officials of  
10 the Federal Bureau of Investigation to attend any  
11 White House meeting convened by William Kennedy,  
12 Associate Counsel to the President, to discuss the  
13 White House travel office.

14 (4) Any document showing what was said at  
15 any meeting referred to in paragraph (3), including  
16 the response of officials of the Federal Bureau of In-  
17 vestigation to the proposal that the Bureau inves-  
18 tigate the White House travel office.

19 (5) Any document concerning the identity of  
20 any person who authorized or directed William Ken-  
21 nedy, Associate Counsel to the President, to discuss  
22 with an official of the Federal Bureau of Investiga-  
23 tion the possibility that the Internal Revenue Service  
24 would be used to investigate the White House travel

1 office if the Federal Bureau of Investigation did not  
2 do so.

3 (6) Any document showing what was said dur-  
4 ing the discussion referred to in paragraph (5), in-  
5 cluding the response of the official of the Federal  
6 Bureau of Investigation to the suggestion that the  
7 Internal Revenue Service be used to investigate the  
8 White House travel office.

9 (7) Any document concerning the decision to re-  
10 tain the accounting firm of KPMG Peat Marwick to  
11 audit the White House travel office, including the  
12 timing of that decision, and any relationship between  
13 the audit and the national performance review by  
14 the Vice President.

15 (8) Any document concerning the identity of  
16 any official of the Federal Bureau of Investigation  
17 who decided to investigate the White House travel  
18 office, and the identity of any other official of the  
19 Federal Bureau of Investigation who was consulted  
20 about that decision.

21 (9) Any document concerning what action was  
22 originally taken against the seven employees of the  
23 White House travel office, how this action was modi-  
24 fied subsequently, and what is the current status of  
25 the employees.

1           (10) Any document concerning who made the  
2           decision to take the original action against the seven  
3           employees referred to in paragraph (9), who made  
4           the decision to modify the original action, who was  
5           consulted with respect to each of these decisions,  
6           and upon what information these decisions were  
7           based.

8           (11) Any document concerning the identity of  
9           any person who authorized or directed White House  
10          officials to summon John Collingwood, Inspector in  
11          Charge of the Office of Public and Congressional Af-  
12          fairs of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, to the  
13          White House to discuss the investigation of the  
14          White House travel office by the Bureau.

15          (12) Any document concerning the identity of  
16          any person who authorized or directed John  
17          Collingwood, Inspector in Charge of the Office of  
18          Public and Congressional Affairs of the Federal Bu-  
19          reau of Investigation, to meet with White House of-  
20          ficials to discuss the investigation of the White  
21          House travel office by the Bureau.

22          (13) Any document concerning whether William  
23          Sessions, Director of the Federal Bureau of Inves-  
24          tigation, was aware that the meeting referred to in  
25          paragraph (12) had been requested.

1           (14) Any document describing what was said at  
2           the meeting referred to in paragraph (12), including  
3           how it was decided that a press statement on the  
4           stationery of William Sessions, Director of the Fed-  
5           eral Bureau of Investigation, would be issued to con-  
6           firm that a Bureau criminal investigation of the  
7           White House travel office was underway.

8           (15) Any document concerning the identity of  
9           any person who participated in the drafting of the  
10          press statement referred to in paragraph (14), the  
11          extent to which the press statement was revised, and  
12          the identity of any person who was consulted about  
13          the contents of the press statement.

14          (16) Any document concerning the identity of  
15          any person who authorized or directed John  
16          Collingwood, Inspector in Charge of the Office of  
17          Public and Congressional Affairs of the Federal Bu-  
18          reau of Investigation, to issue the press statement  
19          described in paragraph (14).

20          (17) Any document concerning whether the  
21          Federal Bureau of Investigation would ordinarily  
22          issue a press statement to confirm that a criminal  
23          investigation is underway when the investigation is  
24          at the preliminary stage that the White House travel

1 office investigation had reached when the statement  
2 referred to in paragraph (14) was issued.

3 (18) Any document concerning whether the  
4 statement referred to in paragraph (14) violated the  
5 Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a), or Federal regulation  
6 thereunder, and whether Privacy Act's civil and  
7 criminal penalties are applicable in this case.

8 (19) Any document concerning to what extent  
9 White House officials involved with the investigation  
10 of the White House travel office were aware of the  
11 interest of workers on President William Clinton's  
12 presidential campaign such as Catherine Cornelius  
13 in assuming control of the White House travel office,  
14 and how they became aware of such interest.

15 (20) Any document concerning to what extent  
16 White House officials involved with the investigation  
17 of the White House travel office were aware of the  
18 interest of contributors to President William Clin-  
19 ton's presidential campaign such as Harry  
20 Thomason (and his business partner Darnell  
21 Martens) in obtaining contracts with the White  
22 House travel office, and how they became aware of  
23 such interests.

24 (21) Any document concerning whether White  
25 House officials involved with the investigation of the

1 White House travel office informed the Federal Bu-  
2 reau of Investigation of the interest of workers in  
3 President William Clinton's presidential campaign  
4 such as Catherine Cornelius and contributors to his  
5 presidential campaign such as Harry Thomason  
6 (and his business partner Darnell Martens) in ob-  
7 taining control of the White House travel office or  
8 contracts with it at the time that these White House  
9 officials requested the Federal Bureau of Investiga-  
10 tion to investigate the White House travel office, and  
11 if not, why this information was withheld.

12 (22) Any document concerning what financial  
13 arrangements or understandings existed in connec-  
14 tion with employment of Penny Sample in the White  
15 House travel office, and how she came to receive a  
16 commission for her work in the White House travel  
17 office.

18 (23) Any document concerning whether Harry  
19 Thomason was a special government employee within  
20 the meaning of section 202(a) of title 18, United  
21 States Code, by virtue of the fact that he had a  
22 White House residence pass, daily access to the  
23 White House, and an office in the Old Executive Of-  
24 fice Building, and if he was, whether his efforts to  
25 obtain contracts with the White House travel office

1       violated the conflict of interest restrictions of section  
2       208 of title 18, United States Code.

3           (24) Any documents concerning whether Penny  
4       Sample or any other person interested in obtaining  
5       contracts with the White House travel office violated  
6       the conflict of interest restrictions of section 208 of  
7       title 18, United States Code.

8           (25) Any document concerning whether White  
9       House officials and officials of the Department of  
10      Justice have considered the appointment of William  
11      Sessions, Director of the Federal Bureau of inves-  
12      tigation, to other Federal positions, and whether  
13      William Sessions was aware that such possibilities  
14      were under consideration during the course of these  
15      events.

16          (26) Any document concerning when a final de-  
17      termination will be made about the continued tenure  
18      in office of William Sessions, Director of the Federal  
19      Bureau of Investigation.

20      SEC. 2. As used in this resolution, the term “docu-  
21      ment” means any report, memorandum, schedule or min-  
22      utes of a meeting, log or record of telephone calls or other  
23      communications, appointment calendar, or other record or  
24      document of any kind, including electronic, handwritten,



1 or other communications whatsoever and all drafts there-  
2 of.

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